(d) what steps Government propose to take so that the targeted amount of Rs. 1,39,000 crore is collected fully?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) No Sir. Direct Tax collections for 2004-05 have been provisionally reported at Rs. 1,31,454 crore as against the Revised Estimates of Rs.1,34,194 crore (Budgets Estimates were fixed at Rs. 1,39,510 crore) out of which, an amount of Rs. 1,17,527 crore has been collected in the last three Quarters. The collections of last three Quarters constitute 87.57% of the Revised Estimates.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to para (a) above.

(c) The quarterly collection of direct taxes is not a uniform 25% for each Quarter. The same is based on the advance tax installments prescribed under the Income-tax Act, as a result of which higher collections are received in the later quarters.

(d) Does not arise in view of the fact that the financial year 2004-05 has already come to an end.

Utilisation of deposits of RRB's

†2833. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total deposit amount in the Regional Rural Banks as on 31st March, 2004 and details of deposit amounts of all the 196 Regional Rural Banks;

(b) the details of loans given by the Regional Rural Banks out of the deposit amounts and where and how the balance amounts are used; and

(c) the amounts of money deposited in Regional Rural Banks during the last three years, and how much money out of that remained with their governing banks and how that was utilized?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) to (c) National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that the total deposits of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) are Rs. 563,50.00 crore and the funds disbursed as loan are Rs.155,79.00 crore as on 31st March, 2004. The details of deposit amounts of all the 196 RRBs (RRB-wise) are being collected and will be

be laid on the Table of the House to the extent available. NABARD has further reported that the balance amount has been kept by the RRBs as balance with Reserve Bank of India by way of Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR), deposits with sponsor banks/other banks and investment in SLR/Non-SLR securities. The amount kept as deposits by the RRBs with the sponsor banks/other banks as on 31-3-2004 was Rs. 14832.77 crore. The amount of deposits in RRBs during last three years are as under.

(Rs. Crore)

	As on 31-3-2002	As on 31-3-2003	As on 31-3-2004
Total Amount of Deposits in RRBs	44539.15	50098.33	56350.34

Seizure of button cells

2834. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Customs, Excise and Income Tax authorities in Mumbai are examining the seizure of button cells imported by M/s. Shimmu Machine Tool Equipment Ltd., Mumbai;

(b) if so, the complete details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that offices of the above company and its associate companies were raided and Government have found incriminating documents; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken for filing of criminal cases against the above firms under IPC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) and (c) No, Sir.

(b) and (d) Do not arise.

Refusal of claim of interest of Himachal Grameen Bank

2835. SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: